

Automated Cluster Testing and Optimization

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Introduction

 How to setup an automated testing framework to get benchmarks and results that will help determine tuning parameters and improve the performance of your Spark cluster



Introduction

Development and Test Environment (DTE)

- Support the architecture, design, and test processes of the lifecycle
- Provide a baseline of technologies for prototyping and testing capabilities supporting cybersecurity use cases
- Manage a shared and collaborative environment
- Evaluate relevant technology and conduct demonstrations as appropriate to inform engineering efforts and lessen risk
- Prototype data analysis techniques using the variety of available data types and tools
- Deliver Trend Reports to capture changes in the industry/community for relevant technology spaces





Automated Testing Tools

HiBench (Intel) - Measure speed, throughput, and system resource utilization

- Micro benchmark workloads:
 - Sort, WordCount, TeraSort, Sleep, Enhanced DFSIO
- SQL workloads:
 - Scan, Join, Aggregate
- Machine Learning workloads:
 - Bayesian Classification, K-means clustering, Logistic Regression, Alternating Least Squares, Gradient Boosting Trees, Linear Regression, Latent Dirichlet Allocation, Principal Components Analysis, Random Forest, Support Vector Machine, Singular Value Decomposition
- Websearch benchmark workloads:
 - PageRank, Nutch indexing
- Graph benchmark workloads:
 - NWeight
- Streaming workloads:
 - Identity, Repartition, Stateful Wordcount, Fixwindow

Supported releases:

Hadoop: Apache Hadoop 2.x, CDH5, HDP Spark: Spark 1.6.x, Spark 2.0.x, Spark 2.1.x, Spark 2.2.x

Flink: 1.0.3 Storm: 1.0.1 Gearpump: 0.8.1 Kafka: 0.8.2.2

Sample Output:

Automated Testing Tools

SparkBench (IBM) – Benchmarking and simulating Spark jobs

- Spark-Submit-Config:
 - SparkBench converts config files into spark-submit scripts
 - Allows multiple spark-submits in series or parallel
- Workloads:
 - Standalone Spark jobs with input/output
 - Data Generators: Graph, Kmeans, Linear Regression
 - Kmeans, Logistic Regression, Sleep, SparkPi, SQL
- Workload Suites:
 - Collections of one or more workloads
 - Control benchmark output and parallelism
- Custom Workloads:
 - Use Scala and SBT to build onto SparkBench
 - Test custom Spark libraries by including JAR

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Dee run of SparkP1 and that's it!

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SparkBench Config

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      spark-submit-parallel = false
     spark-submit-config = [{
        spark-home = "/opt/spark"
        spark-args = {
          master = "yarn"
          driver-class-path = "/nfs/home/bmpowell/spark-bench 2.3.0 0.4.0-RELEASE/lib/*"
          driver-memory = 128g
          driver-cores = 8
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        conf = [
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             "spark.dynamicAllocation.executorIdleTimeout" = "120s"
             "spark.executor.cores" = "5"
             "spark.executor.memory" = "80g"
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https://codait.github.io/spark-bench/

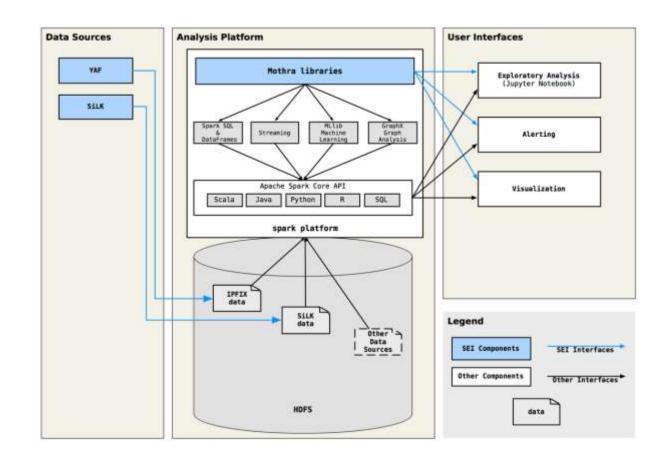
Workload Definition

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suites-parallel = false
workload-suites = [
    descr = "Packed Count with filter on appLabel"
    benchmark-output = "hdfs:///tmp/mothra-test/mothra-appLabel-results.csv"
    parallel = false
    repeat = 2
    save-mode = "append"
    workloads = [
        name = "custom"
        class = "com.example.MothraFilter"
        output = "hdfs:///tmp/mothra-test/mothra-results.csv"
        cache = "no"
        inputdata = "/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia-packed-applabel-test/"
    descr = "Unpacked Count with filter on appLabel"
    benchmark-output = "hdfs:///tmp/mothra-test/mothra-appLabel-results.csv"
    parallel = false
    repeat = 1
    save-mode = "append"
    workloads = [
        name = "custom"
        class = "com.example.MothraLoad"
        output = "hdfs:///tmp/mothra-test/mothra-results.csv"
        cache = "no"
        inputdata = "/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia/yaf-ixia*2018112*"
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Mothra Architecture

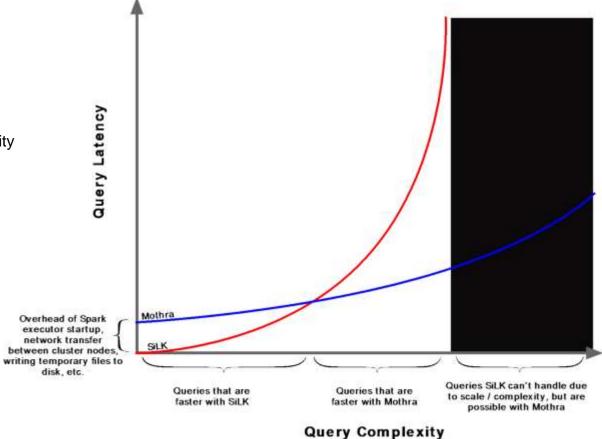
- Facilitate bulk storage and analysis of cybersecurity data with high levels of flexibility, performance, and interoperability
- Reduce the engineering effort involved in developing, transitioning, and operationalizing new analytics
- Serve all major constituencies within the network security community, including data scientists, first-tier incident responders, system admins, and hobbyists



Mothra Refresher

SiLK vs. Mothra **Scalability**

 Mothra enables more complex analyses at a scale beyond the capability of SiLK's single-node architecture



disk, etc.



The goal of our testing was to identify the performance and benchmarks for the DTE cluster in the following areas:

- Cluster Operations using pre-built, Micro and Machine Learning Workloads.
- 2. Mothra Dataframe Creation and Spark Query Performance.
- 3. Mothra Ingest Process Performance running Collector and Packer processes on a 16 core physical edge node.



Test Plan

Test Environment Details

 Number of Nodes: 40+10 Virtual nodes for NameNode, YARN Resource Manager, Zookeeper, and Edge Nodes

• RAM: 256GB, Disks: 4 Disks - 600 GB, CPU: 2x8 cores

Network: Intel Corporation 82599ES 10-Gigabit dual port

HDP Version: HDP 2.6.4 YARN

Spark Version: Spark 2.2.1

Test parameters	Values
spark.submit.deployMode	client
spark.shuffle.service.enabled	true
spark.scheduler.mode	FIFO
spark.master	yarn
spark.executor.memory	4g
spark.dynamicAllocation.minExecutors	4
spark.dynamicAllocation.initialExecutors	4
spark.dynamicAllocation.enabled	true
spark.driver.port	36562
spark.driver.memory	8g



HiBench Generated Data

• Four groups: Large, Huge, Gigantic, and BigData

	Large	Huge	Gigantic	BigData
Naïve Bayes	hibench.bayes.large.pages 100000	hibench.bayes.huge.pages 500000	hibench.bayes.gigantic.pages 1000000	hibench.bayes.bigdata.pages 20000000
	hibench.bayes.large.classes 100	hibench.bayes.huge.classes 100	hibench.bayes.gigantic.classes 100	hibench.bayes.bigdata.classes 20000
	hibench.bayes.large.ngrams 2	hibench.bayes.huge.ngrams 2	hibench.bayes.gigantic.ngrams 2	hibench.bayes.bigdata.ngrams 2
Linear Regression	hibench.linear.large.examples 200000	hibench.linear.huge.examples 300000	hibench.linear.gigantic.examples 500000	hibench.linear.bigdata.examples 1000000
	hibench.linear.large.features 30000	hibench.linear.huge.features 50000	hibench.linear.gigantic.features 80000	hibench.linear.bigdata.features 100000
Random Forest	hibench.rf.large.examples 1000	hibench.rf.huge.examples 10000	hibench.rf.gigantic.examples 10000	hibench.rf.bigdata.examples 20000
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Ixia Simulated IPFIX datasets

Filename(s)	Size	Record Count	Bytes per Flow	Description
/data/mothra-ipfix/live/ipfix-live-s1- 20180820000030-00268.yaf	1.66 MB	8,746	189.80	1 hour of live ipfix data from DTE YAF sensor on 8/20
/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia/yaf-ixia- napa_lb0-20180819000021-00110.yaf	3.17 GB	21,997,654	144.11	1 hour of Ixia generated ipfix data for 1 YAF sensor on 8/19
/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia/yaf-ixia- napa_lb*-20180819000021-00110.yaf	22.19 GB	154,038,796	144.05	1 hour of Ixia generated ipfix data for 8 YAF sensors on 8/19
/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia/yaf-ixia- napa_lb*-20180819*.yaf	597.61 GB	4,159,659,052		24 hours of Ixia generated ipfix data for 8 YAF sensors on 8/19
/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia/yaf-ixia- napa_lb*-2018081*.yaf	3.08 TB	21,772,346,751		5.5 Days of Ixia generated ipfix data for 8 YAF sensors on 8/14-8/19

Filename(s)	Size	Record Count	Bytes per Flow	Description
/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia/yaf-ixia-napa_lb7- 20180922110219-00274.yaf	263.78 MB	1,088,294		5 minutes of Ixia generated ipfix data for 1 YAF sensor on 9/22
/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia/yaf-ixia-napa_lb*- 20180922110219-00274.yaf	2.06 GB	8,693,166		5 minutes of Ixia generated ipfix data for 8 YAF sensors on 9/22
/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia/yaf-ixia-napa_lb7- 2018092211*	3.11 GB	13,199,568		1 hour of Ixia generated ipfix data for 1 YAF sensor on 9/22
/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia/yaf-ixia-napa_lb*- 2018092211*	24.89 GB	105,639,034		1 hour of Ixia generated ipfix data for 8 YAF sensors on 9/22
/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia/yaf-ixia-napa_lb*- 2018092*	605.74 GB	2,628,246,577		24 hours of Ixia generated ipfix data for 8 YAF sensors on 9/22

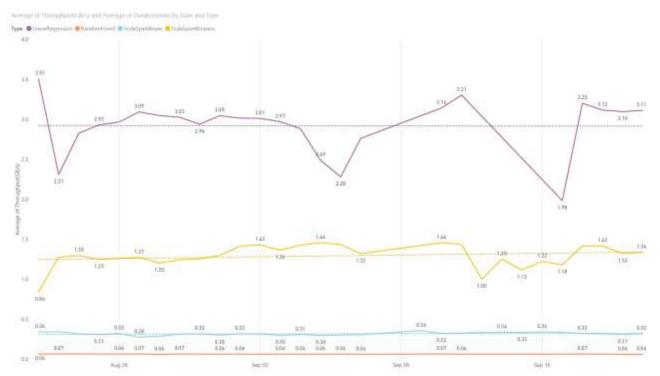
Automated Custom SparkBench Testing

Operation	Query
Build IPFIX DataFrame (mothra), Count	val input_data_ixia = "/data/mothra-ipfix/ixia/yaf-ixia-napa_lb*-20180815*.yaf" val input_df = (spark.read. fields("slP", "dlP", "sPort", "dPort", "protocol", "packets", "bytes", "startTime", "endTime", "dnsQName"-» "ipfix:yaf_dns_y/yaf_dns_qr/dnsQName", "dnsQName"-» "ipfix:yaf_dns/yaf_dns_a/sourcelPv4Address") .ipfix(input_data_ixia) input_df.count()
Simple Filter (Spark), Count	<pre>var dns_flows = input_df.filter(\$"dport" === 53) dns_flows .count()</pre>
Column Selection & Display (Spark)	https_flows = input_df.filter(\$"dport" === 443).select("sip", "dip", "sport", "dport", "portocol", "packets", "bytes", "sslCertificateHash") https_flows.count()
Sorting (Spark)	https_flows.sort(\$"bytes".desc).show()
Aggregation (Spark)	https_flows. groupBy(5"dip"). awg("packets," "bytes"). sort(\$"avg(bytes)".desc).count()
SQL Query (SparkSQL)	input_df.registerTempTable("df") spark.sq("""SELECT dnsQName, AVG[packets) AS avg_packets, SUM(packets) AS sum_packets, AVG(bytes) AS sum_packets, AVG(bytes) AS sum_bytes FROM df WHERE dnsQName IS NOT NULL GROUP BY dnsQName ORDER BY sum_bytes DESC"").count()
Compound Query w/ Join, Filter, & Select (SparkSQL)	val bad_names = spark.read.parquet("/user/tonyc/data/sample/bad_dns_names.parquet") var bad_addrs = (dns_flows .join(bad_names, \$"dnsQName" === \$"name") .select("dnsQAddr") .distinct, botP("addr") val pwned = input_df.join(bad_addrs, \$"dlP" === \$"addr").drop("addr") pwned.count()



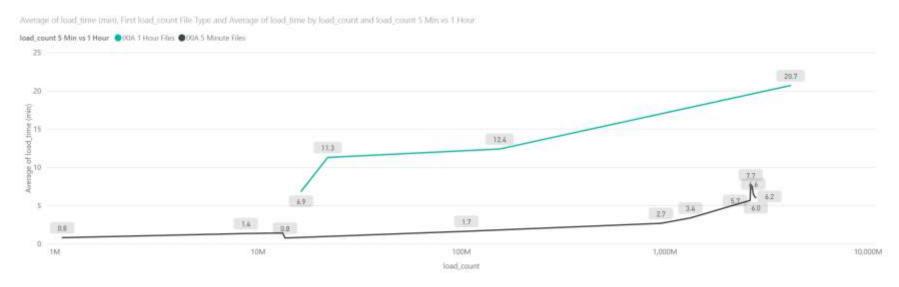
Operational ML Workloads

• Machine Learning workloads benchmark average throughput in GB/s over one month



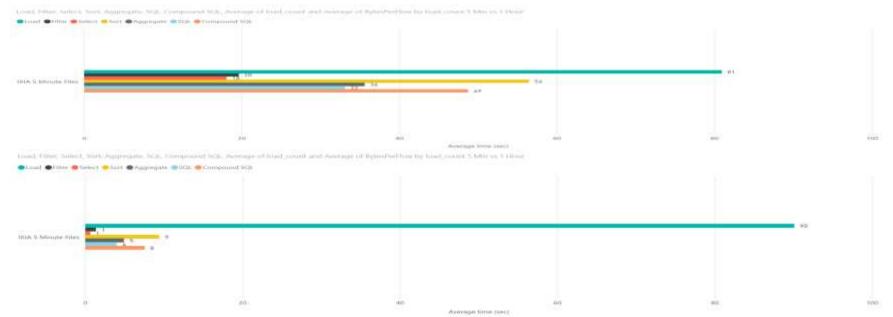
SparkBench Custom Mothra Workloads

Mothra Dataframe load time in minutes by input file record count and file size below. Graphs shows two
different raw, unpartitioned file schemes. Green is one file per hour of data and black is twelve files per hour of
data. There is a significant performance improvement when files are collected every five minutes vs. one hour.



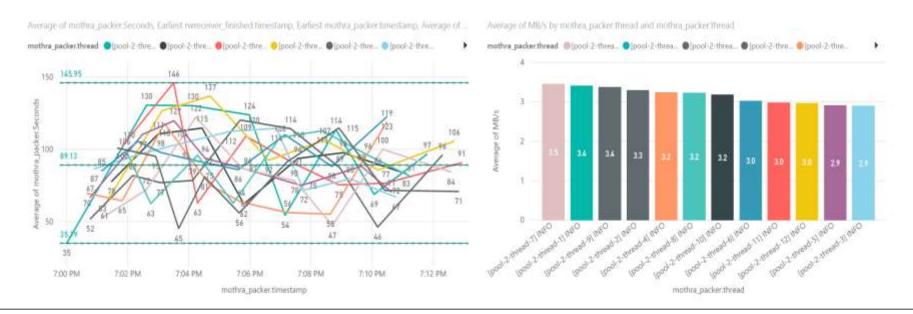
SparkBench Custom Mothra Workloads

 Spark Submit completion times in seconds for Mothra and Spark queries. Graph is comparing equivalent data sets with one file per hour vs twelve files per hour. Caching in the second chart adds some overhead during load, but there is significant improvement in subsequent tasks reducing average processing time for all workloads from 293 seconds to 118 seconds a 60% improvement.



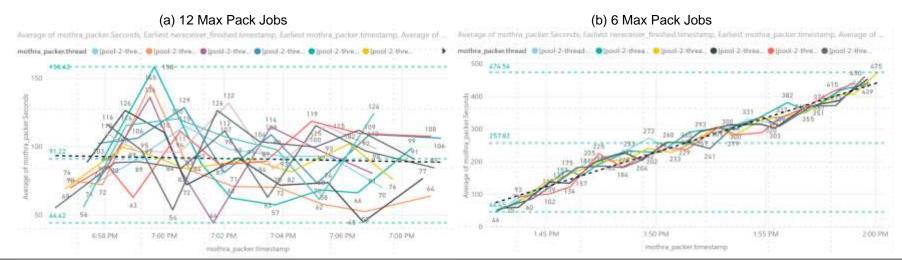
Mothra Packer Testing

Load times and throughput for Mothra Packer. Two sample runs of 12 max pack jobs on a 16 core physical edge node. Rwsender landed 96 files (1 hour) at once with an average of ~271 MB per file (91,346,434 records). The average throughput per process is ~3MB/s. Adding polling and flush overhead, the average of total throughput is ~27MB/s



Mothra Packer Testing

- Two sample runs 16 core edge node. Rwsender landed 96 files (1 hour) at once with an average of ~271 MB per file (91,346,434 records). The black dashed line shows the trend of completion time of each pack job.
- Test (a) shows a flat trend line which means that the jobs are keeping up with the files landing from rwsender
 while test (b) shows an incline trend which means that jobs are slowing over time and not able to keep up with
 the file ingestion. In both cases, one hour of our test data was packed in under 20 minutes, but test (a) should
 maintain this speed with more load, while test (b) would continue to slow as more files are landed.

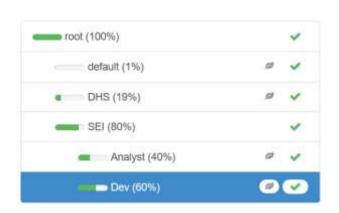


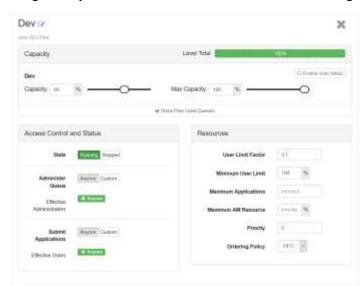
YARN Queue Manager / Capacity Scheduler

 Certain settings needed to be changed to take full advantage of the cluster resources and utilize dynamic allocation in Spark. Capacity and Max Capacity are not intuitive and only relate to the queue, not the whole cluster. In order to use resources beyond the queue (80% * 60% = 48%), User Limit Factor needs to be set above 1.

Depending on the number of users, Minimum User Limit and Ordering Policy can be used to avoid conflicts among

analysts for cluster resources.





Spark Tuning

- Executor Cores
 - Typically no more than 5 cores can achieve full write throughput to HDFS
 - Setting cores too low (tiny executors) for large jobs on large clusters will cause garbage collection and out of memory errors
 - With executor-cores > 1, the DominantResourceCalculator must be selected for YARN
- Executor Memory
 - Calculated based on cluster size and executor-cores (Example = 6 nodes, 16 cores/node, 64gb memory/node, 5 executor-cores)

yarn.nodemanager.resource.cpu-vcores * total cluster nodes = total available cores	15 * 6 = 90 total available cores
total available cores / executor-cores = total available executors	90 / 5 = 18 total available executors
total available executors / total cluster nodes = number of executors per node	18 / 6 = 3 number of executors per node
yarn.nodemanager.resource.memory-mb / number of executors per node = memory per executor	63 / 3 = 21 memory per executor
memory per executor * (1 - spark.yarn.executor.memoryOverhead) = roundDown(executor-memory)	21 * (107) = roundDown(19.53) = 19 GB = executor-memory

Results and Tuning

Spark Tuning

- Dynamic Allocation Executor Idle Timeout
 - This option controls when executors are removed once idle.
 - Losing an executor due to a timeout and starting a new one adds additional overhead to a spark job.
 - For some use cases, such as exploratory analysis in Jupyter or Zeppelin, the default timeout of 60s might be too short.
 - Finding the ideal value for this, per use case, will require an iterative process between system administrators, cluster developers, and analysts.

